



## ***Family Statement***

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## **Vaughn Family Statement**

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Our family appreciates the overwhelming and sincere outpouring of sympathy from the local community at this very difficult time. Your support is appreciated as we mourn the loss of Travis – a devoted husband, a loving father and a dedicated Night Stalker.

Travis loved serving in the Army and took it very seriously. Flying with fellow Night Stalkers and supporting Special Operations forces gave Travis a strong sense of camaraderie and a great deal of pride. Travis looked forward to his missions, but also returning to his family. There is no question that Travis believed in what he was doing. He never doubted why he was there. Travis died doing something he deeply believed in. I want the nation to know that Travis was not just “our” hero – he was a true hero!

While we sincerely appreciate the nation’s interest in Travis’s life and his contribution to this great nation, we ask that the media respect our privacy and allow us time to grieve.

*Provided by Heather Vaughn*